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Core being debated

BY CATHERINE HUGHES
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A proposal for a Core Curriculum has been introduced to the University Senate for inauguration next September.

The idea of a core curriculum was initiated after an all university distribution requirement was eliminated in 1972.

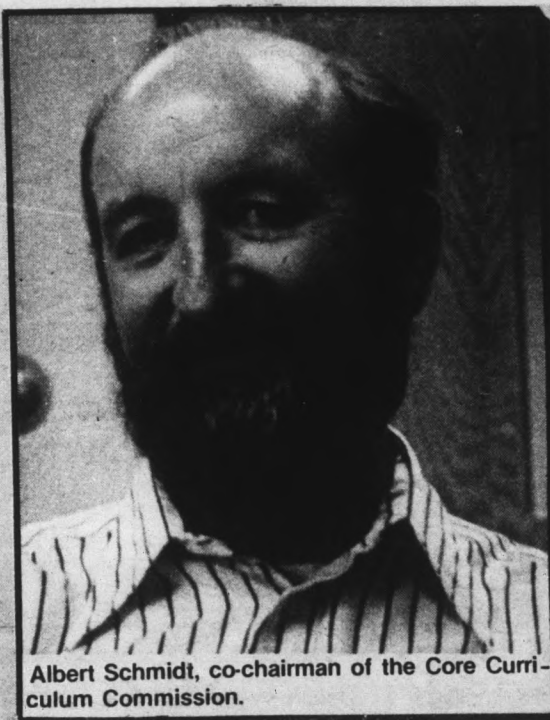
The core calls for all University students to complete 36 hours of required courses. Included in those requirements would be courses improving skills such as writing and computation. Also part of the core are interdisciplinary courses. These consist of related disciplines combined in one course.

In core, "some courses are required, especially those that are skills courses, others may be taken from a group of courses," said Albert J. Schmidt, Co-Chairman of the Core Curriculum Commission.

Schmidt said that some of the core courses are already requirements of several departments and colleges.

However, according to a report to the Senate by the Core Curriculum Commission, "Departments and colleges have often proved all too willing to sacrifice general education to the demands of specialization and expertise... all to unwilling to advise students to take challenging general education courses which might threaten the students' average or demand a significant investment of time and energy."

If the core is passed by the Senate, it will go into effect in three steps. The skills portion which includes six hours of English, three hours of communication, three hours of mathematics, one hour of library research skills and three hours of



Albert Schmidt, co-chairman of the Core Curriculum Commission.

physical education would affect freshmen entering in the Fall 1980.

The second part of the curriculum is a Heritage Section which would go into effect in September 1981.

A total of nine hours are required in this section. According to the commission, the Heritage section emphasizes "those fundamental areas of

knowledge and ways of knowing which are distinctive to Western Civilization."

The course in the Heritage section will be inter-departmental as well as inter-disciplinary and will include courses in the Humanities, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences.

The third part of Core will be nine hours of writing (W) designated courses. "W" labeled courses place an emphasis on expository writing. It will require the student complete at least two written assignments totalling at least 5,000 words. Three hours of this requirement may be taken in a student's own major, and six hours must be taken within the humanities and/or social sciences.

The final part of the core curriculum will be taken in a student's senior year. The commission reports the Capstone Seminar should "provide seniors with a sense of completion and of the essential integrity of human knowledge."

Edwin Eigel, vice president for Academic Affairs and Chairman of the Core Curriculum Commission states the need for an all University program such as this one arose when students came from high school with a lack of basic skills and went through their four years of college without receiving the proper training.

"Quite often, basic skills were totally ignored so the student graduated college without knowing how to write very well, how to add and without having an area of expertise to get a job," said Eigel.

Although he admitted he was overstating his point, Eigel said a reinforcement of basic skills was needed because the grade schools, junior high and high schools have been easing up on

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Student charges false arrest

STEVEN SPECTOR
SCRIBE STAFF

What began as an attempt by University security to tow a student's car parked illegally in a fire zone, has ended with charges of false arrest as well as consideration of possible court action against University security by the owner of the vehicle.

On Tuesday, October 16, University security officer Frank

Taylor pulled up to the back of Seeley Hall where he saw an illegally parked car belonging to Seeley resident Marty Leighton, 21.

When a few members of Leighton's floor saw the officer, they reportedly notified Leighton of Taylor's presence.

"I went downstairs to move my car," Leighton said, "but the officer explained to me that it was being towed."

Mark Kolnsberg, a witness to

the event as well as Leighton's roommate, stated that the security van was pulled up so close to Leighton's car, that it was impossible for Leighton to get out. "It was obvious Marty wasn't going anywhere," Kolnsberg said.

Officer Taylor in Leighton's words, would not allow him entrance into his own car.

"After I got my keys that were thrown down to me, I tried to get into my car," Leighton said.

As Leighton touched his car door, Taylor allegedly touched Leighton's hand. Taylor then in Leighton's words, pulled out his handcuffs and said that Leighton was under arrest.

"I didn't believe what was going on," Leighton said. "As I backed away, the officer just kept lunging toward me with the cuffs."

Leighton said he had not said a foul word to Taylor, nor did he raise his voice or was antagonistic to the officer.

In his notarized statement, Kolnsberg confirmed Leighton's statements. "At no time did Mr. Leighton make any aggressive moves toward either officer. The whole time he was in a state of confusion regarding why he was arrested."

Taylor's report of the incident

was related by Alan MacNutt, director of public safety at the University.

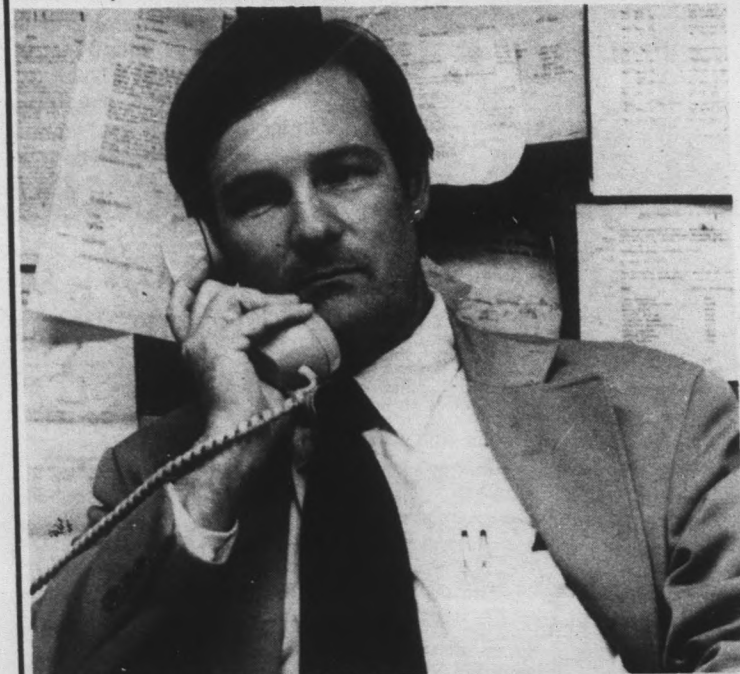
Taylor in his statement said that Leighton "screamed at the top of his lungs 'I have my rights.'" Taylor also stated that Leighton brushed him and touched his hand. Taylor's statement further notes that Leighton taunted the officer, saying that he could not get arrested. As a result of Leighton's actions, Taylor said

that he felt harassed, and that Leighton "had challenged his authority."

At the time Leighton was told by Officer Taylor that he was under arrest. Herb Anderson, another security officer, arrived on the scene.

At this point, Leighton said that he proceeded to head back into Seeley Hall to his room. "As I put my key in the door, the

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Alan MacNutt, director of Public Safety. Photo by Paul Arbor.



Marty Leighton. Photo by Larry Salese.

Student claims false arrest...

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officer (Taylor) slammed me up against the door, dropped my hands behind my back, and put on the handcuffs," Leighton said.

"They didn't give me a reason why they arrested me, and they didn't read me my rights immediately either," he said.

As Anderson waited for the tow truck, Leighton says, Officer Taylor brought him to the University security office located in the basement of Carlson Hall.

Leighton stated that after his arrival to Carlson, Taylor proceeded to fill out a report on the matter. "They finally figured out what to book me for, but it was obvious that he (Taylor) did not know what he was doing," Leighton said. "He put his name where mine was supposed to be, and had to get a new form."

Leighton was originally charged with one count of parking violation and two counts of breach of the peace. One count of breach of the peace was dropped during the report writing procedure. "They were thinking of charging me with resisting arrest, but they

scratched it," Leighton said.

Taylor in his statement to MacNutt brought up the possibility of charging Leighton with assaulting a police officer.

After filling out the reports, Taylor then took Leighton to the Bridgeport jail on North Avenue. Leighton said that he was first directed towards a cell, but after a conference with the booking officer, was released under his own recognizance. He promised to appear in court October 23.

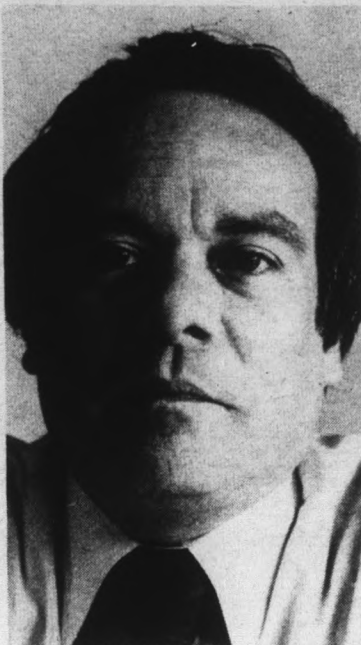
The booking officer reportedly dropped the parking violation leaving only the charge of breach of the peace.

"I spent over 45 minutes with the cuffs behind my back," Leighton said. "It was not until five or ten minutes after my arrival to the jail that they were removed."

The following day, Leighton said he contacted The Scribe to find out how to obtain an attorney who would give him free consultation. The Scribe referred Leighton to a member of the Student Council, who in turn referred Leighton to a lawyer.

"When I spoke to the lawyer,

he said the whole case would be thrown right out of court," Leighton said.



Byron Waterman, assistant dean of Student Personnel. Photo by Paul Arbor.

On October 19, three days after the initial incident, Leighton received a letter from Dr. Byron Waterman, assistant dean of student personnel. The letter recommended a meeting between Leighton and himself which discussed whether Leighton would continue as a student at U.B., be withdrawn from the University, or be administratively withdrawn from the University for a period of one calendar year.

The meeting between the two which took place shortly thereafter reportedly clarified Leighton's actions, as well as ironed out some differences between both Waterman and Leighton.

When reached for comment, Waterman said that he could make no statement because information on the affair was still coming in and that "both sides of the story must be looked at."

Leighton arrived at the Bridgeport Court House at 9 a.m. October 23. His court appearance was for 10 a.m., but Leighton said he arrived early in order to talk to the prosecuting attorneys and staff.

"When the prosecutors saw the file on my arrest, they were, to say the least, appalled," he said. "I saw it written right on the file itself: 'no cause for arrest.'"

Leighton stated that he was told by the prosecution staff that he could file a complaint against the officers involved or against University security as a whole.

MacNutt had a different view on the prosecutors' statements to Leighton. "The prosecutor didn't say that it was false arrest," he said, "they just have such a backlog of cases, and didn't find that one important enough to prosecute. There was just not enough information on the arrest form to do anything with."

MacNutt also spoke of Leighton's initial infraction. "We keep cars out of fire zones for safety reasons," he said. "Marty was given three warnings already this fall, who knows how many last year."

MacNutt further stated that he keeps fire zones clear for the safety and welfare of the students. "I don't want to see another tragedy like the fire at Providence College," he said. "One of the big problems at the fire was that so many cars were illegally parked, it made it difficult for fire officials to rescue the people in the burning buildings."

MacNutt further went on to say that "no parking" signs are posted everywhere. He also mentioned that numerous times, stickers warning violators of possible towing were placed on illegally parked vehicles.

When asked if the arresting officers could be interviewed, MacNutt replied that it was unnecessary. "It's a practical thing," he said. "Officers by policy defer all problems to a press officer. I consider myself in that role."

On October 24, a meeting was held, with Waterman, MacNutt and Leighton present. According to Leighton, Waterman first asked him to explain to Mr. MacNutt what the meeting was about. MacNutt admittedly knew very little about the entire incident, having been at a meeting when the report of the Leighton matter reached his desk.

As Leighton began to speak, MacNutt reportedly interrupted Leighton stating that he was not going to discuss the arrest because he was not responsible nor could he interfere with what the officers did in their line of duty.

One thing that reportedly did surface at the meeting were a number of requests made to Waterman by Leighton.

Leighton first requested that his disciplinary letter regarding the incident be removed from all campus files. Secondly, Leighton wanted his money back from the towing charge to Fairfield. The cost amounted to \$30. Finally, Leighton stated that he "no longer wanted to be harassed by security."

"If demands are not met before the limitations of being able to press charges against the University, I will press charges and follow it through," Leighton said.

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Honorary degrees conferred

BY GEORGE DALEK
NEWS EDITOR

The University conferred honorary degrees on two prominent United Nations (U.N.) figures last week to cap its celebration of the 34th anniversary of the U.N., held in conjunction with the United Nations Association of Connecticut.

Sir Hugh Foot, Lord Caradon, former U.N. representative to Great Britain and Robert Muller, deputy to the under-secretary-general of the United Nations were presented degrees by University President Leland Miles at the Arnold Bernhard Arts and Humanities Center on Oct. 24 and Oct. 27 respectively.

After receiving his honorary Doctor of Laws degree, Lord Caradon spoke to a packed Mertens Theatre crowd about his peace proposal in the Mid East and his impressions of the youth in the United States.

"I think I sense excitement and concern among the younger generation of your great country," said Caradon. "I've been asked sometimes what I have to say about the younger generation of this country and I sum it up in my own thinking by paying tribute to their eagerness to know and their readiness to go. The questions of the wider world are not things they wish to turn away from, they're things they wish to understand," he said. "It may be one of the most encouraging things in the whole world that the younger generation in this country is so determined to study the problems of



University President Leland Miles presents Lord Caradon a Doctor of Laws degree at last Wednesday's ceremonies. Photo by Sharon Wolosky.

this world not merely from books but from personal experience."

Muller, who received a Doctor of Humane Letters degree, spoke on the "International Year of the Child," and the future of the world and the United Nations.

Muller said that the nations of the world are coming together to look at the conditions of children. He also read statistics on studies of the subject and termed them "frightening."

He said that of the 66 million people in the United States under 80, 17.5 million live in poverty, and that 20 million under the age of 17 have never seen a dentist. One million children in this country are victims of child abuse, he said, and of 29 million children of working mothers only 1.25 million have use of adequate day care centers.

"Of the 122 million children in the world who will be born next year, 12 million will be dead within their first six months," said Muller.

"Is there any hope on this planet?" he asked. "Is there any chance that by the year 2000 this will be a better world?" "Are we making any progress? I think I can give you a positive answer to that," he said. "Since 1970 the world has begun to change. He cites the fact there is a positive worldwide response to the U.N. programs organized for the "International Year of the Child."

"Humanity needs faith in itself," said Muller. "It needs new hopes, visions, targets, and horizons. Humanity is beginning to feel together."

Computer center serves student needs

By MARLENE COOPER
SCRIBE STAFF

Keeping up with the ever-expanding field of computer processing, the computer center on campus is serving students and faculty with the use of its computers.

According to Computer Center Director, Elizabeth Glynn, the center plays a major role in the academic, administrative, and research areas on campus.

Academically, over 2,000 students use the campus computer system. Whether used for class assignments, such as the engineering or business fields, or just for fun, the computers are constantly being run.

Administratively, the computer personnel processes things such as payrolls, grades, admissions, registration, accounting functions and development functions.

Computers are also an integral part of research, as faculty members use the computers for their particular research projects according to Glynn.

"Every other industry," Glynn continued, "is being impacted by data processing. Hospitals, for example, would be lost without it. Data processing is

affecting our personal lives more and more. The day people have computers in their living rooms isn't so far off. Some already have it in televisions and ovens. There's even such things as computer-producing music, where the computer teaches you how to play the guitar."

This whole phenomenon, according to Glynn, is called by some people, "the information explosion."

"One of our jobs," Glynn adds, "is to prepare the student to go out into that world where computers are becoming so relevant."

According to Glynn, the computer presently being used on campus is called the "DEC system-10." It's run on a time-sharing system. The computer may be used only after applying for a number. An operating security system which gives information to the computer as to who is using it, and the information passed in and out of the computer is then private to the individual.

There are several different devices available which store or give out information said Glynn. One type is a "terminal," located in Dana Hall, the Technology Building, Mandeville Hall, and South Hall. There's also several

types of terminals, such as a "graphics terminal," which draws pictures on a video screen. The University also has a portable one, given to faculty to prepare assignments.

The campus also has direct access devices called "High Capacity Disk Drives." "Two Line printers" are used exclusively for student projects and two "magnetic tape drives" are available. The main difference between these devices is that they have different ways of storing information and getting information back.

A general procedure in computer processing is to put information into the terminal, for example, which is the input-output device. From there it goes to the computer, and then back to the terminal. The largest cluster of terminals is in the basement of Carlson Library which is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, according to Glynn.

Before coming to the University, Glynn was an Investments Statistician for City Trust. She then went into data processing and came to Bridgeport. She took a year-and-one half off to work at Perkin-Elmer Corporation where she was a programmer analyst. As a

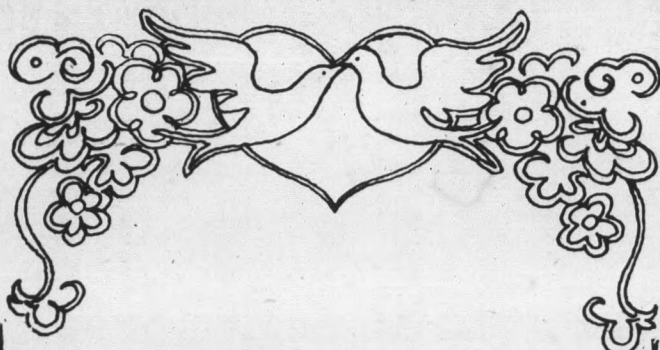
liaison for the Instruments Divisions Systems group, she coordinated and counseled the divisions. From Perkin-Elmer she came back to the University in February where she took the director's position on June 1. Her staff includes faculty, and 10 students-eight part-time and two co-op. The computer center, according to Glynn, is presently building the exam schedule, and "gearing up" for pre-registration and for this semester's grades.

As they do become more and more common place, perhaps even more students will want to learn about, and become more involved in, the world of computer processing.

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Student's Lawyer

All students desiring to see a lawyer at the University from Koskoff, Koskoff, and Beider on Wednesday at 1:30 should sign up at the Student Council office, room 231, by Wednesday before 1:30. At that time, the secretary will call the law firm and advise them as to how many students have signed up. This will enable them to know whether or not to send a representative on that day. Sign-ups are in the Student Council office Monday-Friday between 12:30-4 p.m.

Carriage House

Tonight the Carriage House Coffee House will present an evening of Jazz-Rock-Funk with Nite Sprite. Nite Sprite plays the music of Weather Report, Chick Corea, Breaker Brothers, Stanley Clarke, The Crusaders, Tom Scott, plus their own music. This is their first Connecticut appearance. For more information call the Carriage House at ext. 4189 or 334-9536.

Guest Speaker

The Reverend Michael P. Williams will be the Black Student Alliance's guest speaker at its next meeting, this Tuesday at 9 p.m. in the Student Center Faculty Lounge. The Reverend will discuss "The Role of Black Students in the 1980's." All students are invited.

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Invite a student to dinner

Anyone who would like to invite an international student to share Thanksgiving with you and your family is urged to call Janet at ext. 4395.

Freshman class to meet

The freshman class will meet today in the Student Center Social Room from noon to 1:30 p.m. All freshmen are urged to attend. Beer and munchies will be served.

Homecoming Schedule

The Schedule for the Black Student Alliance Homecoming Weekend is as follows:

Thursday: from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Kick-Off Party in the Warner basement. Sponsored by the Warner Sisters. Fee \$1.00 plus 1 canned good, \$1.50 without.

Friday: 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. Pool party at the Rec Center. Fee is \$1.

Saturday: from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. is the Basketball game in the Gym.

6 to 8 p.m. is the Cocktail Sip in the Faculty Reading and Lounge Room.

9 p.m. to 2 a.m. is the Cabaret featuring the band Kabash in the Student Center Social Room. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$5.50 at the door.

Sunday: Football game at Marina Park Circle, time to be announced.

6 to 9 p.m. Bowling and Pool Party at the Student Center. Sponsored by the Warner Sisters. Fee is \$1.50.

Racquetball clinic

A racquetball clinic will be offered at the Rec Center on Nov. 10 and 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The clinic will provide the ground-work, rules of the game and tips. Sign in at the Rec Center. There will be a \$35 fee.

Senior Check list

Reminder to all Seniors who expect to graduate in May — graduation check lists should be in the Dean's office by today. Forms can be obtained in the Assistant Dean's office, room 124 in Dana Hall. For more information, contact the Assistant Dean's office at ext. 4815.

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Campus Calendar

TODAY

MASS will be celebrated at noon in the Newman Chapel SHARED PRAYER will be at 5 p.m. in the Newman Chapel.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL UB vs Paterson at 7 p.m. in the Gym. CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP will meet at 8:30 p.m. at Georgetown Hall.

TURNING POINTS WORKSHOP will be held at 7:30-9:30 and 9:30-11:30 on "Bio-Feedback, and Relaxation Techniques."

PIANO RECITAL with Richard Gregor, at 8 p.m. in the Bernhard Center Recital Hall.

ART EXHIBIT by the faculty of the Art Department thru November 13, at the Carlson Gallery, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. On weekends 1 to 5 p.m.

FRIDAY

TGIF will be held in the Faculty Private Dining Room from 3 to 7 p.m.

IN A LONELY PLACE will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at the Recital Hall of the Bernhard Arts and Humanities Building.

THE BIG SLEEP will be shown at 9:15 p.m. at the Recital Hall of the Bernhard Arts and Humanities Building.

UNMARRIED WOMAN will be shown at the Student Center Social Room at 8 and 10:30 p.m. Admission is \$1.25 with UBID and \$1.50 without.

UB CONCERT CHOIR will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Bernhard Center Mertens Theater.

SATURDAY

MASS will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. the Newman Chapel.

IN A LONELY PLACE will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at the Recital Hall of the Bernhard Arts and Humanities Building.

THE BIG SLEEP will be shown at 9:15 p.m. at the Recital Hall of the Bernhard Arts and Humanities Building.

SUNDAY

MASS will be celebrated at 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. at the Newman Chapel.

CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP bus leaves for Black Rock Congregational Church at 9 a.m. Meet in front of Georgetown Hall.

MONDAY

MASS will be celebrated at noon at the Newman Chapel.

SHARED PRAYER will be at 5 p.m. at the Newman Chapel.

BOD will meet at the Carriage House Coffee House at 9:15 p.m.

CHAMBER MUSIC at UB, The Audubon String Quartette, in the Bernhard Center Recital Hall.

SLIMNASTICS will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Rec Center.

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Freshman prez fights apathy

BY DIANE KOUKOL
SCRIBE STAFF

Freshman Class President, Nick Casella, an economics major, believes in getting involved in campus activities. In addition to holding the position of freshman class president, the commuter student also works at the Wahlstrom Library and is a member of the Student Activities Finance Committee.

Casella doesn't feel that commuting from New Haven everyday greatly effects his ability to become involved at the university. "I feel that in college, or any school, it's good to get involved. It makes for a better rounded education."

"There is a lot of apathy around this campus," he said. "But I feel that the leaders like myself would work their way around that. If I can limit the apathy by 1%, then I am doing something."

A student council member at Notre Dame High School in West Haven, Casella was also a member of the Pep Club, the yearbook staff, the Italian club, and was involved in various other activities.

Casella chose to attend the university "... because it was highly recommended by my high school counselor and by friends. I was also very impressed with their orientation program. ... Even though the area around the university is dangerous, the campus has a lot to offer and people should take advantage of it."

Casella realizes that many freshmen did not vote in the election for president. "Elections were run very, very poorly," he said. "The blame doesn't go to the students, and it can't go to the people running. The whole system needs to be changed."

"It is very important when running for a position, especially on the student council that the candidates make speeches. Not only does it benefit the students voting, but it is good experience for the candidate."

Casella has scheduled a freshman assembly today from 12:00-1:30. He plans to address the

class and begin to elect officials to represent the class.

"Also at the assembly, I hope to work on bettering attendance at other assemblies, and especially at the student council open forum on November 7."

Casella has already met with freshman vice-president, Jamie Boulette. "Jamie is very concerned about the class. He has a very positive attitude, and is easy to talk to."

"To me, student government is as important as that of the United States," Casella said. "Council president, Herman Lammerts, is a very good leader. I have confidence in Student Council and in Herman."

One problem that Casella is worried about is budgeting his time. "Because I am committed, sometimes I get too involved and leave my academic studies," he said. "Academics comes above all, and it is a hard road to catch up once you fall behind."

"For example, the junior class president is a nice person, but sometimes he is too involved with his school work and not with student council and has missed a couple of meetings."

Casella is very optimistic about his plans for the freshman class. "I am in a disposition to always hope for the best. I feel strongly that if I do get involved in an activity, I should be 100% dedicated to that particular activity. Our class doesn't want to waste time on boring activities and uninteresting situations," he said. "I would like to get some dances going, whether mixers or semi-formals. I would also like to see our class get involved in the phonathon. Our class is very spirited and eager to go. I think we have a lot of intelligent people and great potential."

"I want to let students know whatever I'm doing," Casella concluded, "and they will know about it because there isn't enough of that around here."



Nick Casella, freshman class president. Photo by Scott MacDonald.

Money given to center

The University Board of Associates has contributed \$25,000 toward the completion of the funding to the Wheeler recreation center. The Board of Associates was "inspired" by a challenge grant from the Kresge Foundation.

John K. Martin, associate vice president of Development, said last week that the campaign is within \$130,000 of its target.

The Board of Associates is comprised of 320 members, drawn from leaders within the business community which has traditionally maintained close relations with the University.

The University Board of Trustees also presented a challenge of \$500,000 contingent upon matching gifts received by November 15, 1979.

"The Trustees challenge and the Kresge foundation challenge have inspired alumni and friends to new levels of giving," said Martin.

"It's a rare opportunity for our friends and alumni who ap-

preciate the value of recreation and lifetime sports to have their gifts doubled by the Kresge Foundation," commented Martin. "Then matched by the Trustee challenge. If the contributor is with a company which matches gifts, then his original investment would be quadrupled."

"Meeting these significant challenges will make it possible to fund the new facility through private gifts without incurring the additional expenses of loan financing," said Martin.

Core Curriculum

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academic requirements.

Discussion of the core curriculum was conducted at the University Senate meeting of October 10. At that time, there was opposition to the core proposal.

Bert Spiller, Chairman of the Sociology Department said he was opposed to the proposal because he feels the interdisciplinary courses are "unworkable."

"You can see what you're going to end up with is a course that is going to reflect the background of whoever teaches the course," said Spiller. "If it's a history professor teaching the course, it'll be primarily history, and so on."

Spiller said the purpose of the interdisciplinary course will be defeated because "it's going to end up being primarily reflecting whoever teaches the course."

Gaylord Haas also has objections to the in-

terdisciplinary course.

"Some of the Core courses sound more as if they are non-disciplinary courses," related Haas. "We make poor use of faculty by having large numbers of faculty teach courses in fields in which they're not particularly prepared, and in which they may not have any particular interest except that of the generally knowledgeable person."

While there has been some opposition to the Core, Schmidt does not perceive any weaknesses in the curriculum.

"I can't emphasize enough the high quality of the debate that took place in that broad spectrum of faculty and administration," states Schmidt. "So that what has come out of it is not something that was lightly considered. It was many hours of discussion. While there may be perceived weaknesses by others, it represents a combined effort."

The Core was introduced to the Senate on October 17 and is scheduled to be debated on November 7 and December 5.

Dorms tie in contest

BY KAREN SCHICK
SCRIBE STAFF

Cooper Hall's U.B. Sports Traditions and Warner Hall's Circus Theme tied for first place in the RHA dorm decoration contest held U.B. Day Sunday, Oct. 21st.

Both dorms won \$300 and a keg.

According to Jack McNamara, Cooper Hall president, Cooper went to the Alumni and Physical Education offices and got rosters, pictures and information on past U.B. sports traditions. They used four

sports, football, soccer, basketball and baseball. They mounted these on purple paper and devoted one wall to each. The walls also came complete with athlete in dress uniform. To top off the sports scene they had a pep band playing rally songs when the judges arrived.

Warner kept with the Circus theme said Lynn Stirlen, Warner Hall president. "Each floor had a different booth. We made a contest out of it." The floor with the best booth won the keg. They also filled their lobby with stuffed animals.

Chaffee Hall won third prize, which was \$100 and a keg for their Chaffee Mansion. "We put pictures of how U.B. used to look when it was a junior college with all the old buildings. Then we built an old dining room with a fake fireplace, old table and tea set," said Gail Piscopiello, speaker for Chaffee Hall. They also had a slide show and painted their lobby windows to look like stained glass. One window had the flame of Bridgeport and the other had the Wisteria, Bridgeport's unofficial flower.

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Time tells a different tale

"Just wait a year or two. We'll be winning."
Ann Fariss, on the announcement that athletic scholarships for women would be available here.

When they first arrived on campus, there was much doubt and dismay from those who saw little, if any value in having athletic scholarships for women. With little regard for equal rights, they failed to see the importance in creating positive atmospheres in both men's and women's athletics. They also wondered if the scholarships could change the losing that women's athletic department almost seemed to be getting used to.

While discrimination hasn't yet been eliminated (there is a law suit pending against the University by citing 14 deficiencies in the women's athletic department), the scholarships for women have more than proven worthwhile and

beneficial.

Teams of the past here always had more heart than ability.

Now the teams' hearts are only out-matched by their ability. Just look at the records. The field hockey squad has already matched last year's sensational record (13-4-1) and they have one game left. After a mediocre year last year the tennis team has established itself as one of the true power-houses of Connecticut and New England, with a 12-3 record. The volleyball team meanwhile stands at 14-16 with more than a good chance to finish over 500.

Of course there is a lot more to sports than winning but winning does create pride, professionalism and excitement and that is what the women's athletic department has acquired.

Wipe out apathy in somebody's lifetime

Saying that it would be great to rid ourselves of apathy is like saying it would be great to eliminate cancer. It sounds very nice indeed, but is it possible?

Nick Cassela, freshman class president, has great intentions when he says he would like to lower apathy on campus. But apathy is a way of life around here. Some are born to be wild and others are born to be apathetic. They came here.

Eliminating campus disinterest is the only

place to start if things are going to change for the better. In order to get people involved, they must be interested. There's no reason why students shouldn't be interested in how student activities and planning are decided. You could buy a car with one year's tuition here.

We hope Cassela, and everyone else in Student Government, can wipe out apathy because right now we're running on empty.

Letters...

Emotional Fascism

TO THE EDITOR:

In your issue of 10/15, you made a gross and insulting error. The picture you have of the two winning teams for the dorms on UB doesn't match the captions. You incorrectly identified as having a sports theme Seeley Hall (sic). In fact the sports theme was the product of the "supermen that are Cooper Men."

I have no need to tell you how foolish and embarrassed the two people pictured felt (then don't), as the whole of Cooper Hall. Pictured were Tom Closter — dorm president, and Doug Terrington, an annoying, albeit nice guy.

In future references to our dorm, please do not confuse us with any other dorm again. We are the one and only Cooper Hall, we're not Seeley, Bodine or even Radcliff. We have a bad enough image without your confusing people about us and giving the name Cooper Hall a genre of surrealism and abstractism.

As the great Mathematician Rene Descartes was sensitive about revealing his birthday so is Cooper Hall emotional — we're proud, silly, irreverent, caring and most of all good spellers; C-O-O-P-E-R!

Mark Yanofsky
Cooper Hall Resident

Food service

TO THE EDITOR:

The 1109 Union Employees would like to express their thanks to Mr. Joe Hand, food service director and Mr. John Lojko manager at the Student Center for being chosen as their new employees over A.R.A. Food Service.

For a good relationship between the management and the employees which has improved the service and quality of the food 100 percent at the student center and Marina Hall. (sic)

Arnold Mitchell
Union Delegate
Food Services

Reading for refugees

TO THE EDITOR:

Professors and students will give a joint poetry reading for the benefit of the Southeast Asian Refugees (boat people) Wednesday, Nov. 7 at the Carriage House. The reading is a response to the overwhelming world-wide concern for the more than 500,000 Southeast Asian Refugees who fled Vietnam and Cambodia in dangerously, overcrowded and unseaworthy vessels. It has been estimated that since last May more than 50,000 refugees have drowned.

The readers include Michael Connelly, Richard Daigle, Jon Davis, Katharine Gervino, Russell Griffin, Irena Kipa, Thomas Juliusburger and Harvey Sessler.

Donation will be two dollars for general admission and one dollar for students. All donations will be sent to the United Nations Southeast Asian Refugee Fund. Please come, your dollars are urgently needed.

Katharine Gervino
English Department

Love letters and advice

The Scribe welcomes letters from readers. Letters for publication should include the writer's name, address and telephone number. Letters should be addressed to the Editor, the SCRIBE, Student Center.

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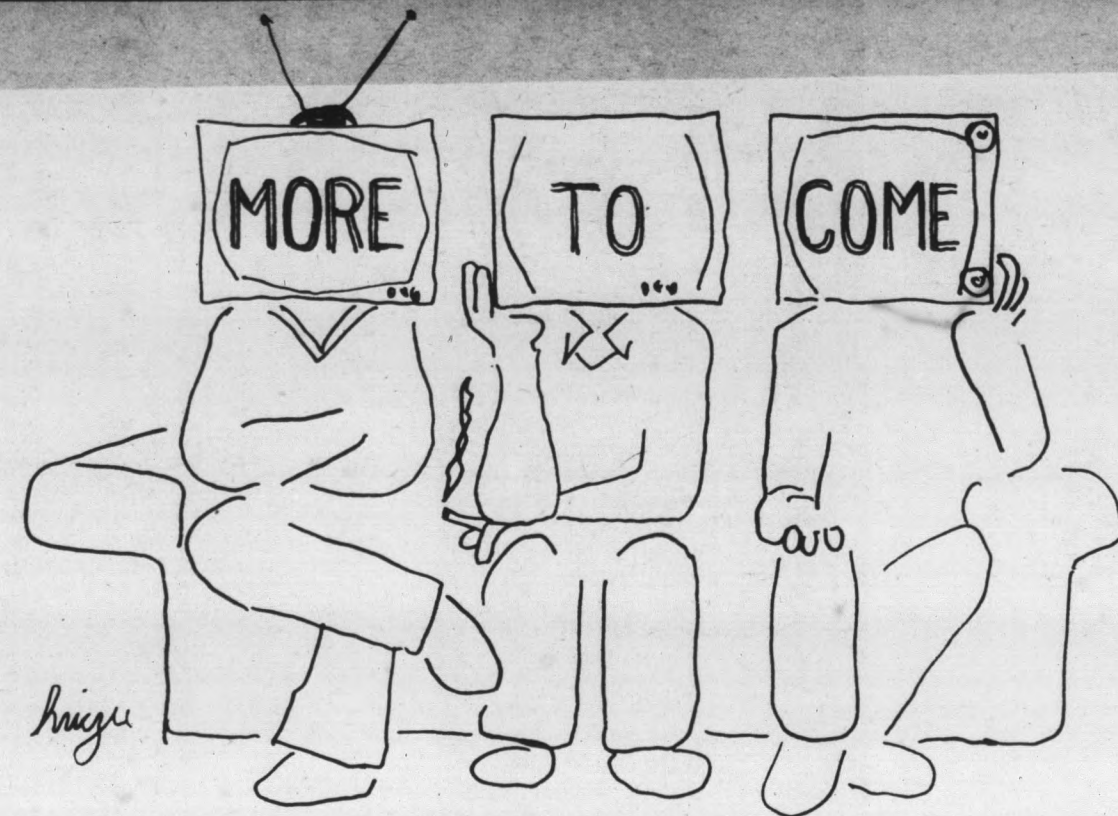
BY PAM JARDINE

A revolution of sorts is occurring on the UB campus ... and according to the NY Times, across Connecticut — students are actually anxious to move into the dorms.

Dean Chagares believes that financial concerns and superior residence hall staff are in part responsible for this growing trend. I agree with him (I was an RA last year, and I thought we were all superior, but that's a biased opinion).

I also believe that there may be other reasons why one would prefer living in a dorm room, but I wasn't sure what these reasons could be at 3 this morning when I was trying to sleep while some typical macho-freshman-jock-types played frisbee against my door. But after I considered some psychological theories, I decided that a dorm environment successfully fulfills some needs felt by certain individuals. According to the Jardine Psychosocial Theory, some of these needs, and subsequent fulfillment provided by the dorm are as follows:

1. NEED TO CHALLENGE PARENTAL VALUES. Living in a situation where the bathrooms are often co-ed and over-nights don't mean slumber parties, gives some individuals a much-needed opportunity to upset their parents' moral values. One



Dealing with dementia

Experienced diversions

By Pam Jardine

doesn't necessarily have to take advantage of this freer atmosphere — shock and horror can be elicited from parents merely by explaining some of the more soap opera-type confrontations that occur next door.

2. NEED FOR AFFILIATION. There are many people out there who suffer from intolerable insomnia if they can't share critical analyses of Johnny Carson's monologue immediately after the first commercial. For these people, a dorm situation affords the

greatest convenience for running down the hall and finding someone awake and willing to talk about TV, politics, sex or what's for breakfast tomorrow. In fact, probably more relevant information gets discussed in a midnight to 3 a.m. dorm conversation where most of the

participants are in a semi-lucid state, than most three hour lecture classes. And the easy availability of popcorn, beer, Frank Zappa albums and bed, make the dorm talks more comfortable than a class spent on a hard chair in Mandeville Hall.

3. NEED FOR OFF-BEAT ENTERTAINMENT. Where else can one watch someone get their head flushed in a toilet to celebrate their birthday, hear people ride up and down in elevators at 4 a.m. singing dirty songs (John Valby) with an encore on each floor, participate in fire extinguisher wars which later, upon questioning, no one even knew occurred, or play a monopoly game that lasts three days? There may be a town in California where such occurrences are every-day, but on the more reserved East Coast, dorms are probably one of the few places where such diversions can be experienced.

Therefore, according to my theory, as long as dorm living can fulfill some of these needs, even if costs become more astronomical, or the RAs are hired for sadistic or scout-leader qualities, there will still be an appeal to dorm life. That should make Paul and Jane happy. Maybe we should even consider building some more dorms...

(Pam Jardine thinks she's seen enough off-beat entertainment for a while.)

Not legal for trade

By Steve Cioffi

Living the glorious life of a student need not all be textbooks, bad food and unpaid bills. I'm sure you have already noticed that between Thursday night and Sunday morning (and well after that) the University de Bridgeport becomes nothing less than a haven for lunatics. (*Lun-a-tic*: a mischievous being who wreaks havoc upon its home surroundings.) But who can seriously blame these scalawags? I have put in my share of shenaniganizing, and I dare anyone to say that they haven't. Come on, I dare you. Knock the battery off my shoulder.

Being the closet detective that I am, I decided to analyze

the weekend behavior of a typical UB student. In order to do this, I would have to visit the various places where they "hang out," as they call it. Rather than choosing between ten dorm parties, two movies, one concert, a UB Pub or a TGIF, I decided to sample each one of those events.

Naturally, I would have to **travel incognito**. That means "go there in disguise." I heard it used once in a Tony the Tiger commercial. Let's see, what could I wear? Nothing too flashy. I got it: how about a blue, orange and white dashiki, some too-tight leather pants, a pair of meat shoes and a trench-coat made of aluminum foil? Okay, fine. But I needed

something with that touch of personality, just enough to make me stand out from the crowd. This neon derby would do just fine.

So, last Thursday at 9:00 p.m., I began my journey into the realm of the rowdy. First stop: a party at Bodine Hall. The moment I got through the front door, I discovered something very startling: these people who sponsor keg parties are only in it for the money. They get a lot of it, too. First you have to pay a one dollar entrance fee. Then there's a fifty-cent labor charge if you wanna get your hand stamped. Each beer costs somewhere around seventy-five cents (plus a tip for the bar-

tender), a 25¢ deposit on the drinking mug and another two bucks to get out. Another thing: it was difficult getting to the keg-lines since the hallways were usually filled with people. Real people! Most of whom had taken the liberty to indulge in one or more forms of artificial stimuli. Trying to start up a conversation was a pointless idea because the music was always very loud. I thought that it would be less expensive and not as much of a headache if I bought an old brewery franchise and made the stuff myself. My uncle used to do that in his bathtub. Tasted awful, but it never left a ring!

After reaching a sufficient level of intoxication, I headed for the movies. The SCBOD was playing a side-splitting comedy entitled *Where's Idi?*, based on the unpredictable antics of everybody's favorite funnyman: Idi Amin. I showed up in the ticket line, but I didn't have my UBID with me. I begged and pleaded to get in, I even threatened to blow up the Student Center. At which time they agreed to give me a ticket, under the condition that I fulfill the following requirements. 1) Leave a copy of my fingerprints and a skin-graft off the back of my neck at the front desk, and 2) Pay the customary admission fee of one dollar and fifty cents.

Once inside the theatre, I found a surpassingly uncomfortable seat and waited quite a while for the movie to start. But soon enough, there was the inimitable Idi on the screen, up to his old tricks as usual. After forty-five minutes, I realized that I was the only member of the audience who was paying attention to the film. It seems that someone had spiked the popcorn with a pharmaceutical substance that dramatically alters one's perception of reality. I ran up to get

some popcorn, but they had been sold out for some time. I couldn't get back to my seat because several hundred people had started to remove the floor tiles, causing a royal ruckus. None for me, thanks. I'm leaving.

Just my luck, I arrived at the Carriage House in time to see a local New Wave band by the name of *Teenage Buddha and the Praying Mantises*. I found an empty table and sat down on top of it. Buddha and the gang began the concert with a toe-tapping little melody called "We're Gonna Melt Away." (Don't come cryin' to me/on your knees anymore/Cause your face is sliding off/and dripping to the floor...) These charming lyrics were punctuated by some alien chanting and the firing of a shotgun into the audience. You see, Buddha's cult followers consider it an honor to be a casualty in this ritual. Honor or no honor, I got the hell out of there.

My investigations continued until late Saturday night, when it was becoming extremely difficult to hold a pen. I was even frightened by a pretzel. I crashed like a DC-10 and slept through till Monday morning. My first class was at ten, and I figured that it would be nice to show up. Monday morning to Thursday night, almost four days. Yeah, I'd say that could be enough time to rid my system of the side effects that accompany too much partying. And I always thought that "party" was a noun. Honestly, if I wasn't an alcoholic, I could be a millionaire.

Steve Cioffi sleeps upside-down while suspended by his ankles and has a bizarre tendency to spray-paint his hair.

* from *Mister Zogg's Slightly Incorrect Dictionary* (Harper & Row, Fourth Edition.)

